

Amendments

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification: Please replace the fourth paragraph of the Detailed Description, appearing at page 4, lines 3 to 15, with the following replacement paragraph:

The embodiment shown in Figs. 1A and 1B includes a means to secure the fabric 10 around a seat belt in the form of a separable hook and loop fastener, such as ~~Velcro~~ VELCRO® strips. A strip of hooks 18 is positioned along one length of the outside surface of the rectangular piece of fabric 10. A strip of loops 20 is positioned on the inside surface along the opposite length of the fabric 10. When the sleeve is installed on a seat belt, the hook strip 18 mates with the loop strip 20 to secure the sleeve in place around the belt. The embodiment shown in Figs. 1A and 1B includes hook and loop strips that extend along the entire length of the fabric 10. However, in an equally suitable alternate embodiment there is provided a plurality of shorter hook and loop strips spaced along the length of the fabric 10. In another alternate embodiment, one side of a zipper 26 is attached to the outside surface of the fabric 10 while the opposite side of the zipper 26 is attached to the inside surface of the opposite length of the fabric 10. The fabric 10 may also be secured to the seat belt by means of laces.